

ABSTRACT

A recording/reproducing apparatus is provided that is used by a plurality of users and simplifies file management in a storage medium in which many content items are stored. With the use of the recording/reproducing apparatus (1), when recording and reproducing contents on and from an optical disk D, recording and reproducing history information is recorded and updated for each content item and for each user who has recorded the content, will reproduce the content, and is reproducing the content. The recording and reproducing history information includes information, for example, indicative of whether or not each content item has been reproduced, and a reproducing restriction set on each content item. Displaying such information realizes simple file management. For example, it is possible to fetch contents that have not been commonly reproduced among plural users, or delete contents that have been reproduced by all users, both quickly and reliably.